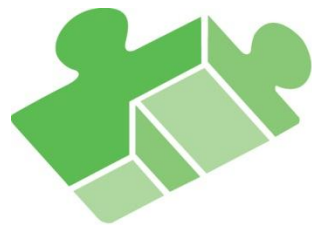


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Autism Society  
*of* NORTH CAROLINA

# Background Information

- Who is the Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC)?
- What is Autism Spectrum Disorder?
- How prevalent is Autism Spectrum Disorder?

# ASNC Services

- Advocacy and Chapters
- Clinical Training and Public Education
- Direct Care Provision

# Who ASNC Advocates and Chapters Served

- **6,184** people were helped last year by Parent Advocates. These encounters include phone calls and in person meetings in **93** of 100 NC counties.
- **49** Chapters/Support Groups covering **66** counties
- Chapters support an average of **430** family members each month in face-to-face group meetings.
- Chapters support an additional **9,660** family members through a variety of electronic formats that allow information sharing and family-to-family support.
- Chapter volunteers contribute more than **700** hours a month of service.

# Who ASNC Trained

- **218** workshops reached **4,666** people.
- Trainings were held in **43** different counties but open to people in all **100** counties.
- Annual Conference reached **750** parents and professionals.

# What ASNC Trained On

- First Responders - **9** workshops given to **243** first responders.
- Healthcare and Service Professionals - **19** workshops given to **360** healthcare, childcare and library professionals.
- Understanding and Responding - **72** workshops given to **1,024** parents and professionals.
- Teacher Trainings - **23** workshops given to **711** teachers from preschool to secondary schools.

# What ASNC Trained On

- Community Awareness - **20** workshops on autism given to **600** people.
- Increasing Clinical Skills - **23** workshops given to **493** professionals.
- Improving Education Plans - **41** workshops to **310** parents.
- Early Intervention - **7** workshops given to **175** professionals.

# ASNC Outreach Provided

- Website had over **100,000** unique visitors, monthly email newsletter to **16,000** email addresses.
- Twice annual printed newsletter to **44,000** readers.
- **20,000** pieces of educational materials including pamphlets and brochures printed and distributed to promote autism awareness and local resources.
- Outreach and education to **650** statewide media outlets during Autism Awareness Month campaign and throughout the year.
- Community awareness events across the state through Run/Walks reaching over **5,700** individuals.



# ASNC Direct Care Provided

- Respite care - **479** individuals from **53** counties accessed respite and recreation through Camp Royall.
- Therapeutic Recreational Supports - **645** people participated in our programs.
- Housing for adults - **101** adults received residential services from **23** counties.
- Social Skills Training - **170** participants in programs in Wake, Cumberland, Buncombe, Pitt and Guilford counties.
- Day programming - Pre/vocational services to **56** individuals in Wake, Guilford and Cumberland counties.

# Outcomes from Advocacy & Chapters

**2,090**

individuals received problem-solving and advocacy consultation.

**1,638**

individuals received referrals and connections to local resources.

**1,565**

individuals received mentoring, coaching, and support.

**1,125**

individuals received information (website, articles, books, packets).

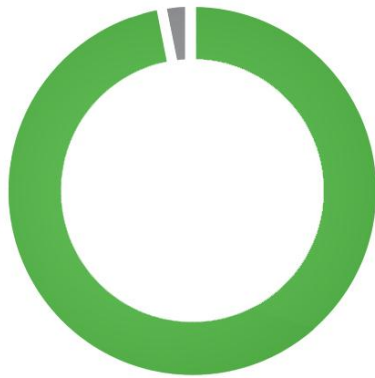
**549**

attended meetings in a support role with family members/ self-advocates (IEP, post-diagnosis, crisis, etc.).

**231**

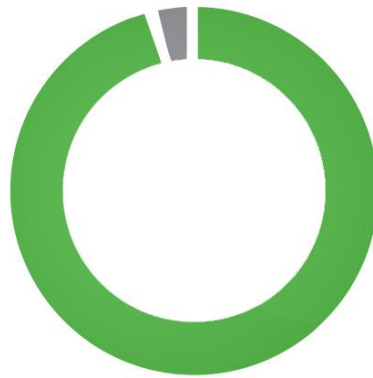
referrals were made by phone call to other agencies or resources.

# Outcomes from Clinical Training and Public Education



**99%**

indicated they **planned to improve** and make changes to their work with autism as a result of the training



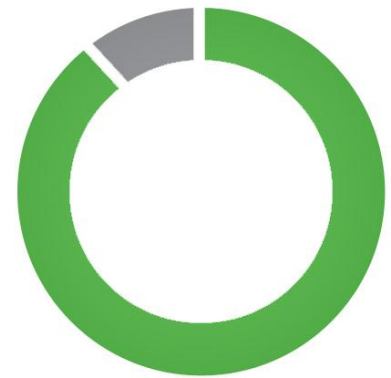
**98%**

indicated the workshops **increased** their knowledge base on the subject material covered



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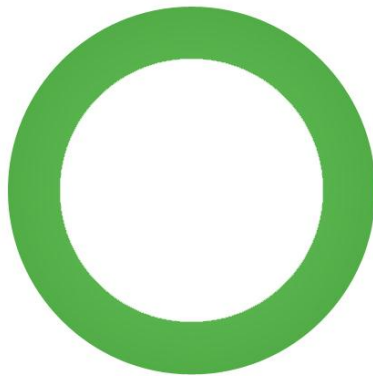
indicated their ability to explain and demonstrate information covered to others **increased** as a result of the training



**90%**

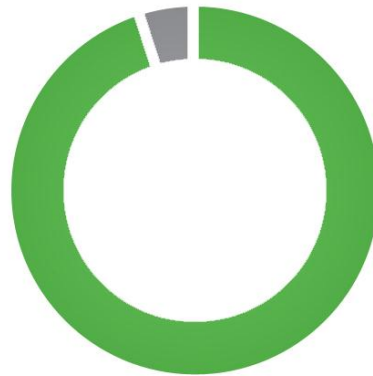
indicated **satisfaction** with communication materials and advocacy

# Satisfaction with Direct Care Provision



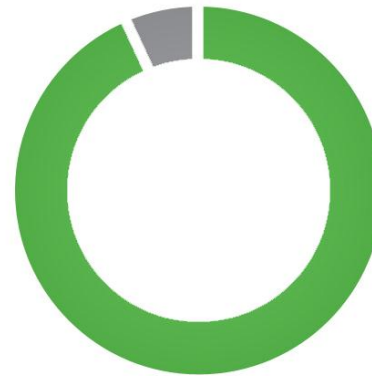
**100%**

said their  
experience  
with services  
was **excellent**



**96%**

said their  
child tried  
**new activities**



**95%**

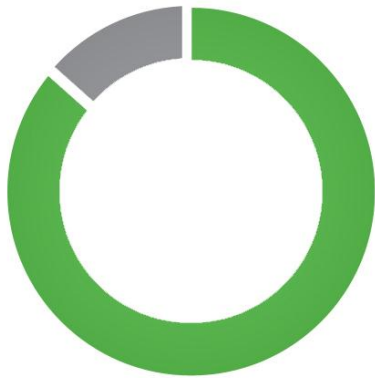
said they would  
**definitely** send  
their camper back  
to Camp Royall again



**89%**

said that Camp Royall  
provided **needed**  
**respite** for their family

# Outcomes as a Result of Direct Care Provision



**87%**

indicated they were **satisfied/very satisfied** with services from ASNC



**83%**

said their child tried a **broad**er range of activities



**80%**

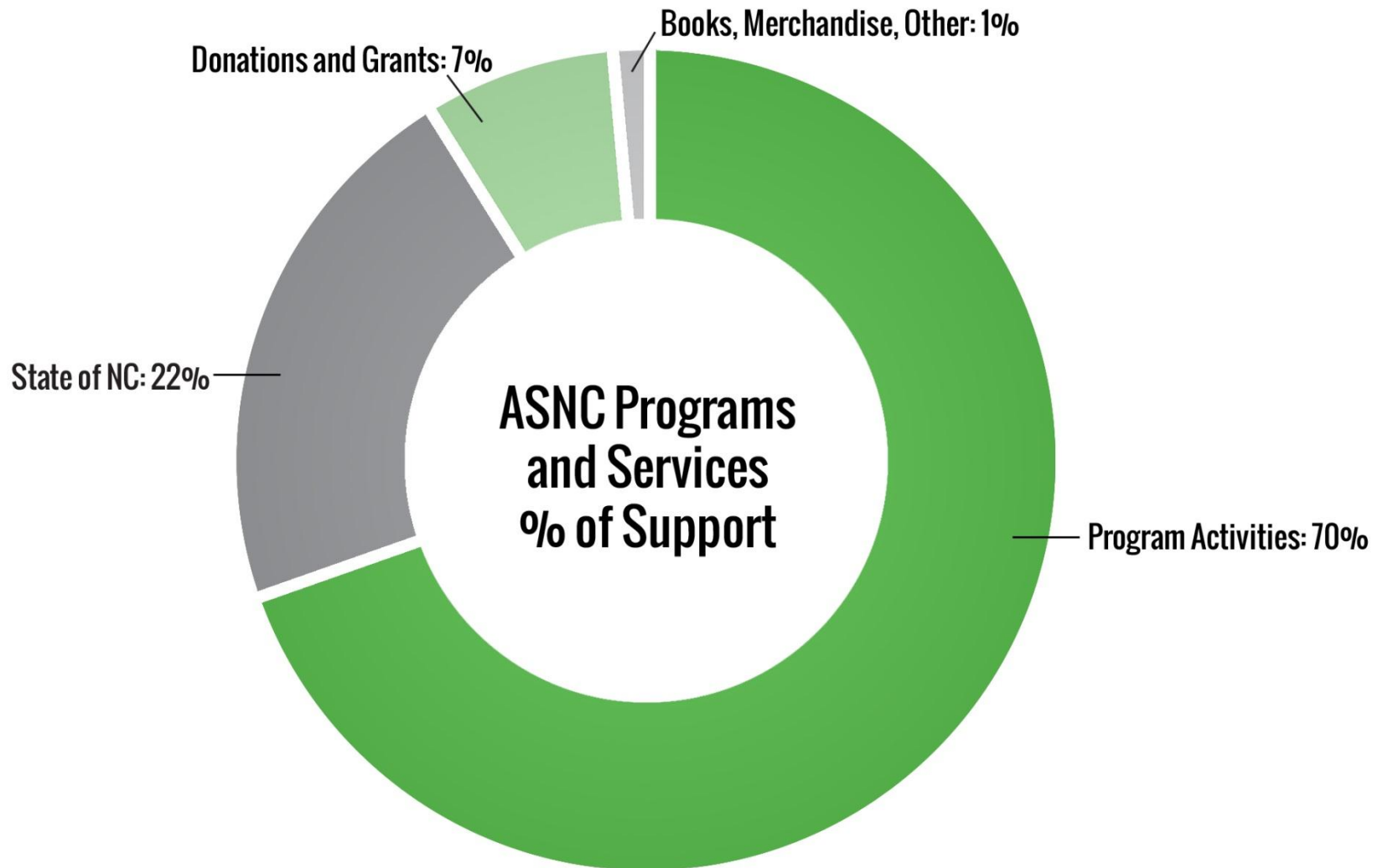
indicated they have seen an **increase** in their child's expressive communication and social interaction since receiving services from ASNC



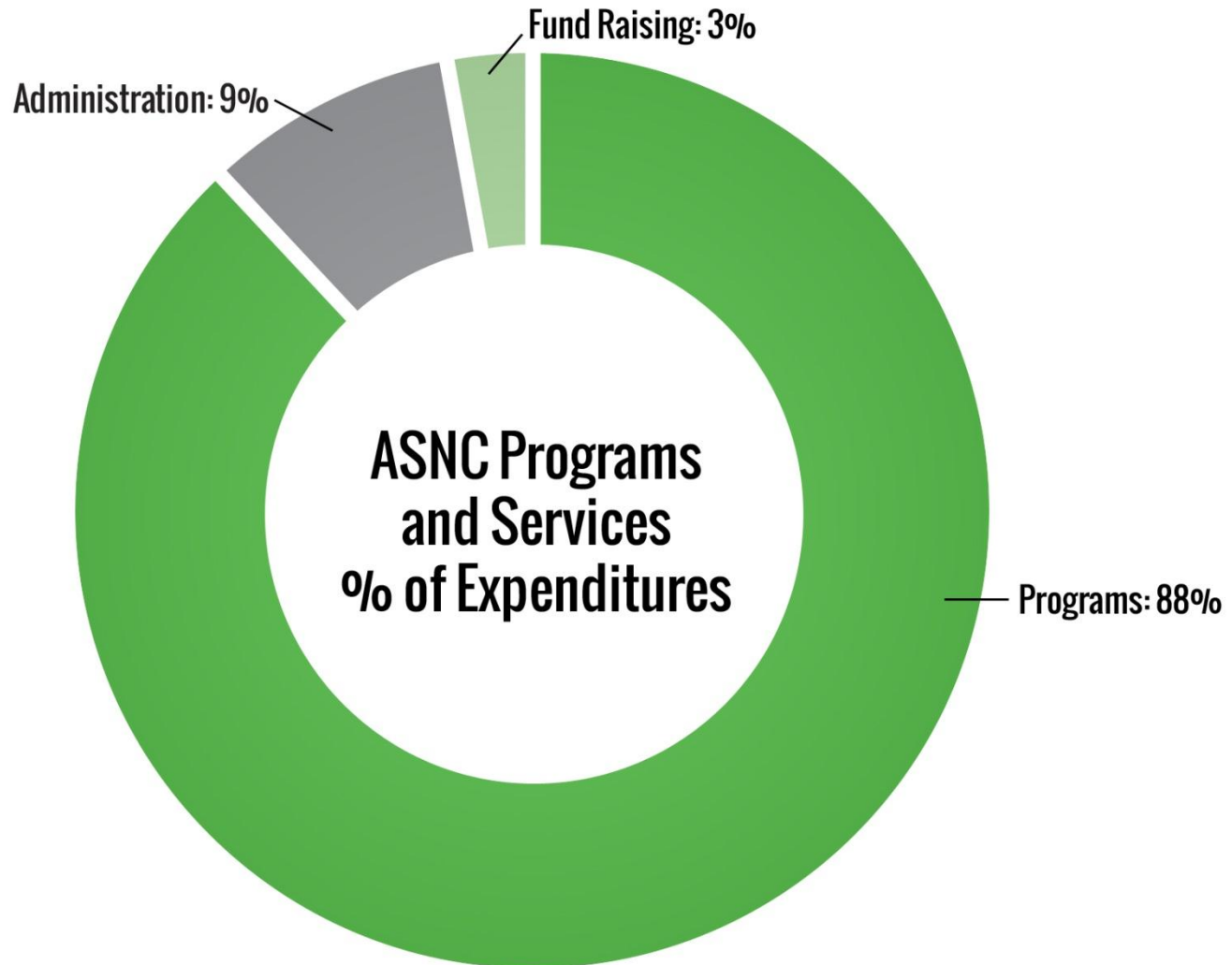
**70%**

said their child's independence **increased** as a result of services

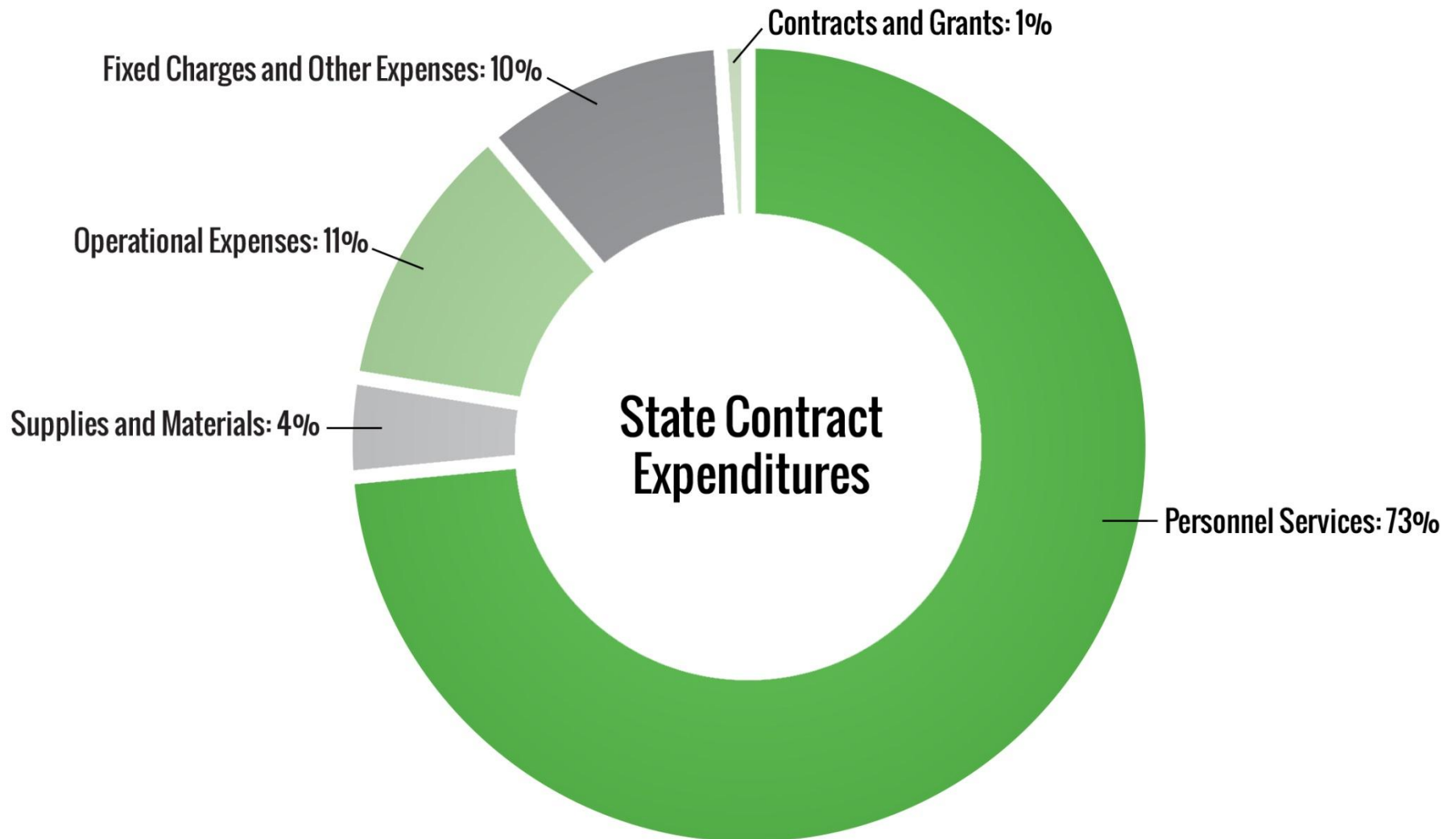
# Financial Data- Total ASNC Revenue



# Financial Data- All of ASNC



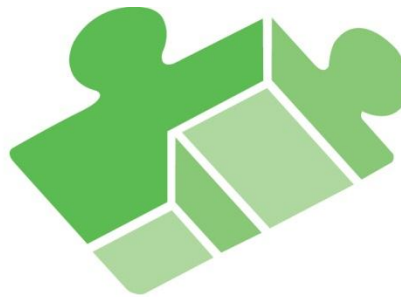
# Expenditure Data





# Summary

- Efficient- **\$.88** of every dollar goes to program services, more than **700** hours of volunteer service monthly, over **\$1 million dollars** in donations to advance our mission.
- Effective- Nearly **11,000** served in all counties with exceptionally high levels of satisfaction and good outcomes



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